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COMEDIENNE JENNIFER FUNKE in the midst of her comedy routine at Friday's Project P.A.I.R.

## Budget Team reviews deficit, faculty pay

by Patrice Sonberg  
Hatchet Staff Writer

GW's newly-created President's Budget Advisory Team is currently reviewing such issues as the \$11.7 million cumulative deficit, faculty salaries and undergraduate enrollment, in preparation for the 1990-91 budget.

The University now has a cumulative deficit of \$11.7 million, according to GW Budget Director Robert Shoup, as compared to 14 years ago when the University's non-medical budget showed a surplus of more than \$9 million.

"A problem with having a deficit is that there are certain times of the year when we don't have enough money to pay the bills," said Vice President for Student and Academic Support Services Robert Chernak. "We have to borrow money and the interest expense is charged to the budget."

Shoup attributes the deficit to the fact that "the University is spending more from the current fund than the revenue that is coming in." Liquidation of the deficit, he said, is not reflected in this year's budget but should be noted when the committee makes recommendations for the 1990-91 budget.

Although the committee expects increased revenue from student enrollment and investment properties, the corresponding increases in expenditures are expected to create a deficit of approximately \$1.5 million. If this projection manifests itself, Shoup said, "the 1 percent reserve being identified by the vice presidents (that has been set aside by all departments) should

bring revenue and expense into a state of equilibrium."

Arthur Kirsch, Chairman of the Committee on Appointments, Salary and Promotion Policies, reviewed the status of faculty salaries compared to that of other comparable institutions. According to the 1987-88 salary data, he said, GW professors were in the 72nd percentile, associate professors in the 74th percentile and assistant professors at the 57th percentile in comparison.

"We need to attach a general price tag (to faculty salaries) and see how much we need to bring (them) up to what they should be," GW Student Association President Raffi Terzian said.

According to Terzian, the committee is working on "marketing" the University so that it is more appealing to prospective students.

Sixty-five percent of the University budget comes from student tuition and fees, Terzian said. Compared to other "tuition-driven" universities, he said, GW provides a "severely lower" amount of scholarships and financial aid.

"We are making a priority list (and deciding) where the available money should go," he said. "This (financial aid) has to be a priority."

The budget committee has set some possible goals for the 1990-91 fiscal year, including the development of an enrollment plan and income forecasting in order to project revenue and the development of a yearly capital budget plan.

## Prereg by phone 'successful'

New phone-in system gets test drive, performs well for GW

by Kevin Tucker  
News Editor

After a week of successful telephone registration, GW administrators say they are ready to process the sophomores and freshmen after Thanksgiving with little or no changes to the existing system.

"It was a successful test," GW Registrar J. Matthew Gaglione said. "Both systems (AT&T's and the University's) performed up to expectations and seem to be well-received by the students."

The one major problem that did occur, according to Kenneth Soper, associate director of GW Telecommunications Services, came about as a result of an AT&T programming error. On Monday morning, the system would not let callers in at 10 a.m., the scheduled opening time, because someone had programmed the time as 10 p.m. instead of 10 a.m.

"The system was doing what it was supposed to," Soper said, it had just received the wrong instructions. AT&T personnel had the problem fixed by 10:14 a.m., he said.

Registration also opened approximately four minutes late on Tuesday, Soper said, because the two computer processors responsible for the separate systems had slightly different times programmed into them.

So far, more students are registering using the phone system than did under the old process, Gaglione said. Through Thursday, 3,768 students had registered by phone

and operators had answered 4,476 calls.

"The system has worked beautifully in terms of restricting (students) on the basis of class standing," he said, and there has not been an "overwhelming problem" with encumbrances or closed courses. There has been some confusion with special seminars, Gaglione said, which were made unavailable by the departments and therefore appear as closed on the computer.

Some modifications he would like made, Gaglione said, include making the system more responsive to the operators and more aware of distinctions between such terms as "unavailable" and "closed."

Steve Spaulding, the designer of the University's computer registration system, said he thought "in the future, we should make a better attempt to train the operators."

"I would even be in favor of having students as operators," he said, because they are already familiar with the requirements of the process. Spaulding said he does not think any major modifications need to be made in the computer system.

"From my point of view, it worked very well," he said.

According to Soper, the waiting time for any given student, once they were in the system, "maxed out at about 9.9 minutes," while the average "talk time"—the time actually spent with an operator—was approximately three minutes.

(See PREREG, p.7)

## Fee discussed at Town Meeting

by Shelby Rosenberg  
Hatchet Staff Writer

Members of the GW Student Association discussed the merits of the proposed student fee with about 40 students Wednesday at the November Town Meeting in Strong Hall.

"We want to air (the issue of the fee) out as well as possible," GWUSA President Raffi Terzian said.

One advantage of having the student fee, said Christopher Preble, Columbian College senator and chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, is that GWUSA would be removed from the financial control of the University. The fee will give GWUSA independent status, he said.

"The money would be ours—ours to keep and ours to allocate," Preble said.

If the proposed fee is passed, the administration would no longer grant GWUSA money to fund student organizations. Its obligation would be to provide GWUSA with a space on students' bills to charge \$16 for full-time students and \$8 for part-time students.

If the fee does not pass, Preble said, money received from the University's general fund for GWUSA-sponsored student groups would not be increased for several more years.

In fiscal year 1987-88, there was a \$14,000 increase in GWUSA funds, from \$238,000 to \$252,000. For 1988-89, however, GWUSA's allotment remained at \$252,000, forcing cuts in the budgets of some student groups, Preble said.

GWUSA hopes to increase the amount of funds for next year to \$401,000 as a result of the new fee and is encouraging the administration to use the \$252,000 saved as a result of that fee for immediate student con-

cerns, Preble said.

"We want it coming back to us," he said, perhaps in the form of scholarships and the establishment of minority student services.

Terzian said GWUSA's projected total of \$401,000 for next year's budget was based on what other schools do and on an analysis of GW's own needs. Originally, GWUSA looked at \$500,000 as the goal for the fund, he said, an amount similar to several other universities of comparable size, but decided that amount was too large for a first attempt.

It's "better to start off a little lower and see how it works," Terzian said.

For the next 10 years, 10 percent of the money from the fee will be extracted for an endowment, which will make it possible to carry over funds from year to year, GWUSA Executive Vice President Jon Kessler said. Previously, GWUSA had to return any unused money to GW's general fund at the end of each year.

Money from the endowment will be used for such things as capital improvements, Preble said. No more than 5 percent of the endowment, however, could be used each year for these purposes.

When asked why GWUSA needs an endowment, Kessler said the endowment will earn interest and bring in a great deal of money for GWUSA. It will provide "easy money for a future Student Association," he said.

The money will go directly to student groups, Kessler said. Future students will not have to pay as much as current students for organizational dues and they will have a better student life, he said.

One student asked why GWUSA does not use the endowment money on current students instead of for future students. Kessler said the 10 percent taken from the fund for the endowment is only a small amount of GWUSA's budget today, but will be a lot to future Student Associations.

At the end of the 10-year period of increasing the endowment, the Senate will be able to spend the money in any manner it sees fit, Preble said.

"We want to be able to use the endowment. It was just a question of us of when," he said.

"It's up to the future to decide how to use it," Terzian said.

One student asked if the endowment money will be locked away during the

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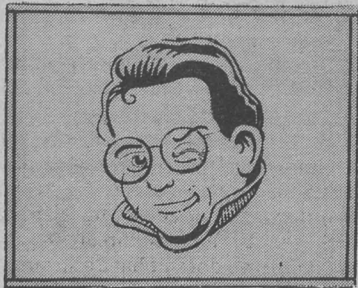
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## He's So Vane

The George Washington Money Making Machine (which has a



division known as the George Washington University) is running a deficit for 1988-89 to the tune of \$7 million. The deficit can be seen

# Deficits for the GW Money Making Machine

as harmless considering GW's holdings, some of which could certainly be made liquid to recover the budget shortfalls. However, to cover the deficit, academic departments are facing cuts to take up the slack. I guess it's more important to cut academics than to dip into the endowment (whatever it's for).

Well, I decided to look around and see just why GW is having problems keeping its budget, in hopes that by uncovering some poor spending, our academics wouldn't have to suffer in the future. Here are the results of my investigation. I can't decide if my

findings are surprising or not.

According to a source in the budget office, GW has been dealing with a bookie in Vegas with hopes to make some quick, easy cash. My source told me the school took a big loss a few weeks ago thanks to the Houston Oilers' pounding of the Skins. "Put it this way," my disappointed source said, "our losses on that game trashed the budget and cost us a new wing on the Gelman Library." Other big losses can be traced to a pool where GW picked Libertarian Ron Paul to become the 41st president of the United States.

Other reasons for the budget

shortfall can be traced to a mistake in the admissions office. Instead of those applying to GW being charged \$35 to process their applications, a printing and book keeping error lead to these students receiving \$35 for sending in their application. "One kid applied here 13 times," my source said. "No wonder applications have been up recently."

Another shortfall in the budget seems to be the flop of the little-known GW produced film, *Stephen Joel Trachtenberg: The Movie*. Surprisingly, the film, which cost more than \$40 million to make,

died at the box office. The chariot scene took 30 days longer to shoot than expected, my source told me. He added that the exploding planet and rain forest scene went \$6 million over budget. Luckily, GW will recoup \$5 million thanks to HBO's plans to show the film three times a day during winter break.

Sure, there are some problems with the budget, but I have faith in GW's administrators pulling through. If things get too bad, they could always get rid of the University, that is if it becomes too much of an interference with their money making.

-Mark Vane

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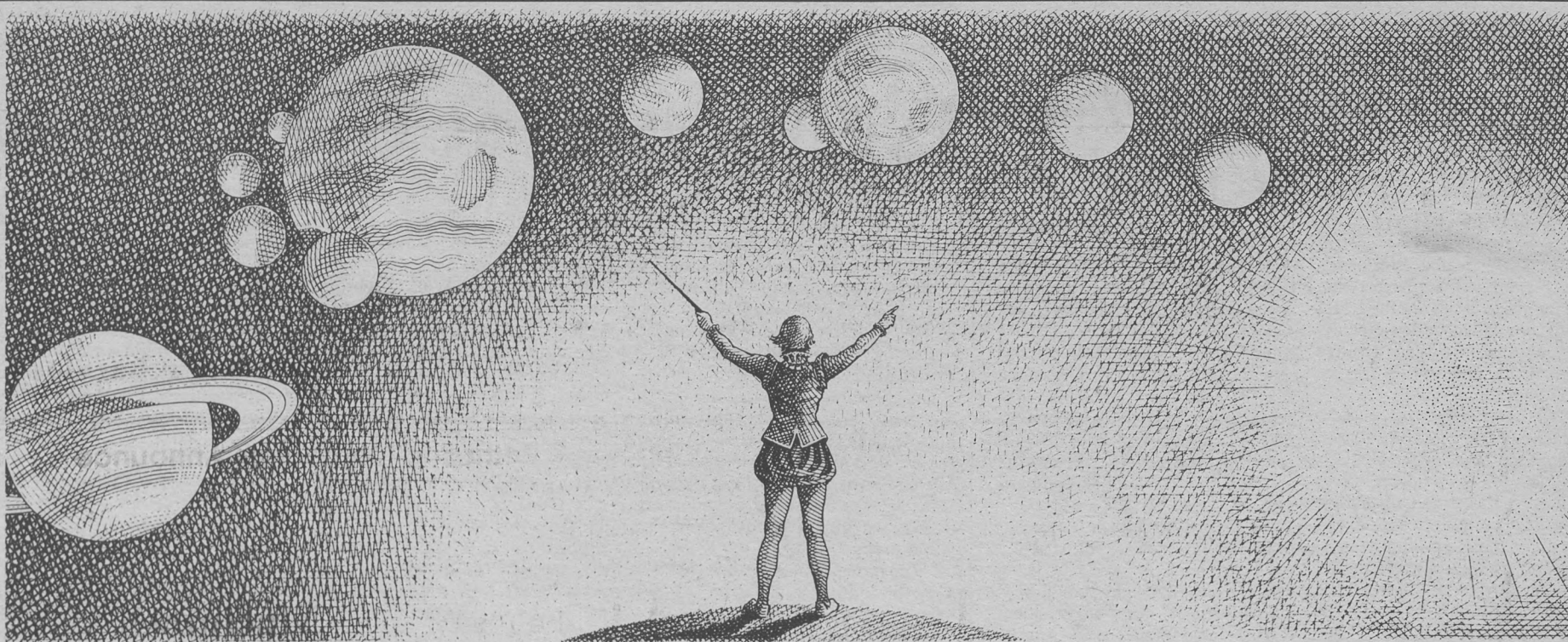
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## POW/MIA week concludes

### Admiral praises GW battalion for concern for POW/MIAs

by Samuel Silverstein  
Hatchet Staff Writer

"There isn't a whole lot you can do" about America's policy toward Vietnam and Laos, said RAdm. Robert H. Shumaker in a Friday morning ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, "but your awareness of the situation shows you care."

Speaking before more than 130 members of the GW Battalion of Midshipmen, Shumaker praised the unit's concern for the Americans who may have been left behind when the U.S. withdrew from Southeast Asia more than 10 years ago. His speech, along with a ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, marked the conclusion of GW's POW/MIA Awareness Week.

The event topped off a week of events designed to educate the University community about the issue of American military personnel still listed as missing in action in Vietnam and Laos. The week's events featured an array of

speakers representing both sides of the issue and had its share of controversy when Wednesday's panel discussion sparked a protest by activists who had been barred from the event.

Shumaker, who moderated Wednesday's discussion, joined the GW faculty in September as assistant dean for off-campus programs in the Division of Continuing Education. Ken Blackmon, Commanding Officer of the Battalion, introduced him Friday, telling how Shumaker was held by the Vietnamese for eight years in a four-by-eight foot cell, including three years in solitary confinement. The prison was dubbed "Alcatraz" by those held there, after the legendary prison in San Francisco Bay.

Despite a broken back, Shumaker said he managed to develop a code system to communicate with fellow prisoners. He said he passed time by mentally studying trigonometry and French and by having Sunday "breakfast" with a

fellow prisoner—they would describe first sumptuous, then horrible, breakfasts to take their minds off the situation.

During his time as a prisoner, Shumaker said, he saw one man tortured for a week until he died after he caught a glimpse of a fellow American. Keeping faith, he said, was what enabled him to survive.

In his speech, Shumaker told the battalion that people who might still be alive and being held prisoner would appreciate their concern.

He also stressed the great seriousness with which the Reagan administration has treated the issue of POWs and MIAs, noting that this type of problem is always a matter for great concern.

"It's time for people to make up their own minds," Shumaker said.

GW Freshman Serena Devinsky said she learned a great deal from participating in the events of the week. "I now know more about (the United States' involvement in) (See POW p. 14)

## Lt. recalls horror of 'Hanoi Hilton'

by Brian Loew  
Hatchet Staff Writer

Lt. Robert I. Randall spoke about his experiences in Vietnam Monday as part of GW's POW/MIA Awareness Week, following a showing of the movie *Hanoi Hilton* in Fungler Hall.

Randall, who joined the Navy in 1968, became a prisoner at the Hanoi Hilton prisoner of war camp after his F-4 Phantom jet was shot down over North Korea on July 11, 1972.

In the spring of 1972, as the first North Korean invasions of South Vietnam took place, Randall was retained in Southeast Asia at "Dixie" station, usually flying missions against land-based targets.

On the morning he was shot down, Randall was leading a four-plane division to prevent Soviet Mig airplanes from attacking American ground forces. As Randall's two-plane section of the division crossed the beach, it was attacked by two Mig-17s, and after what he called a "very long engagement by modern terms," three more Mig-17s arrived on the scene.

It was then that Randall's plane was hit. "For me that was insurmountable," he said. "The airplane took one hit and essentially disintegrated." He ejected and parachuted into North Vietnam.

"I found myself a visitor," Randall said. "Some of my immediate impressions after jumping out of the airplane were that ... all of a sudden it was very, very quiet."

He recalled landing in rice paddies 15 miles northeast of Hanoi. "We couldn't have picked a worse spot, as far as lack of opportunities to hide," Randall said. "After a very short period, we were picked up by militia-type forces."

"I'm sure I was in some degree of shock because of the transition that occurred, but one of the main things that impressed me was the array of weapons that they had. They had everything from AK-47s (machine guns) down to one man with a spear, which can be just as threatening to somebody who doesn't have a spear."

Randall said he was separated from his partner and transported to the Hanoi Hilton, the largest prisoner of war camp in North Vietnam, where he was placed in solitary confinement. "The three-week period that I was in solitary was enough for me, because I was scared, I was confused, I was alone and one thing that became very clear to me was that I wanted to talk to somebody," he said.

"The only people that were there were ones that I knew I shouldn't be talking to."

Randall was interrogated by Vietnamese, who wanted to know information ranging from his airplane to details of American politics that could be used for propaganda purposes. He did not talk and was soon transferred to a different area with approximately 20 other downed pilots. "It was one of the happiest moments of my life, just to see a bunch of guys that I could talk to," he said.

Randall stayed with this group of pilots for the rest of his time in Vietnam. Because he was one of the last to be shot down, he was among the last to be released from the camp in March, 1973.

The movie *Hanoi Hilton* was very realistic in many respects, Randall said, but the characters in the film probably had worse treatment than the average POW in the real camp.

## POW relates first-hand experience

by Jill Braunstein  
Hatchet Staff Writer

Cmdr. Everett Alvarez, one of the first aviators to be shot down in North Vietnam, spoke on "The Essence of the POW Experience" Thursday night at Fungler Hall as part of the POW/MIA Awareness Week sponsored by the Trident Society, the GW NROTC and the Program Board.

Vietnam "was a different kind of war," Alvarez said, and there is a "continually growing interest (in it) because we are a completely new generation."

Alvarez was a prisoner of war for 8 and a half years in North Vietnam. He was one of the first inmates at the "Hanoi Hilton," a North Vietnamese camp for pilots and other flight personnel.

As part of his presentation, Alvarez showed graphic slides of life in the prison camps, displaying physical torture and deplorable living conditions. "The human body can endure a lot," he said. The POWs received little or no medical care and almost no food, as well as suffering dysentery and the presence of "tremendous rats."

"Communicating with the other inmates was very important. It became a lifeline," Alvarez said.

Even though the prisoners risked torture or death, he said, they continued to find ways of sending messages back and forth from their cells. "A deep sense of camaraderie and purpose developed. We were not going to let the Vietnamese break us."

Alvarez was one of the 50 POWs on the Hanoi march, in which "the

Vietnamese tied our hands and made us march through the streets." The prisoners were beaten and mauled by the crowds, he said, describing the experience as "a nightmare" that "lasted for days."

Alvarez said he "really does not know" if there are any POWs left in Vietnam. There are currently 2,387 American servicemen listed as missing in Southeast Asia.

Following his presentation, Alvarez was asked about Jane Fonda and her outspokenness regarding the Vietnam War. He said the actress was a "very naive person."

"(In) any other war the things that Jane Fonda said—it would have been a lot different. Every day the country lived the war. We saw it on television."

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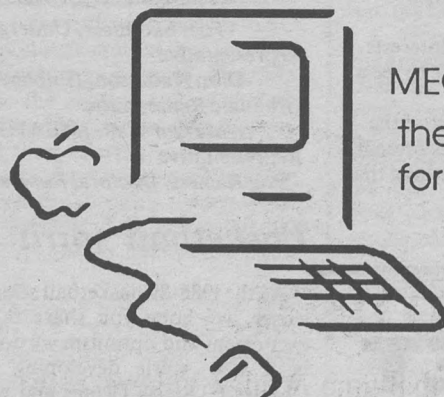
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# Editorials

## Keep the window open

In light of recent events in the Soviet Republic of Estonia, one must wonder about the ability of Mikhail Gorbachev's *glasnost* to endure such nationalistic impulses.

The recent declaration of sovereignty by the Estonian legislature has created a real challenge for the Soviet leadership. How much freedom should *glasnost* allow? How much democracy will be tolerated? Actions like those taken by the Estonians (and the Lithuanians, and the Armenians) bring these questions to the fore.

In Moscow, the declaration of sovereignty was declared "inconsistent with the existing constitution of the U.S.S.R." The only other official Soviet reaction was to invite the Estonian leadership to Moscow for discussions. If the Kremlin chooses to respond to this chain of events with Soviet tanks, *glasnost* will be just a wasted word. This, however, is not likely. The Soviet invasions of Hungary and Czechoslovakia occurred many years (and leaders) ago, and it is foolish to expect that Gorbachev will allow Estonia's growing pains to develop into a full scale revolt.

Nonetheless, some western pundits still talk about Gorbachev's loss of control of his own government. This is ridiculous. In fact, in spite of all the protests (or maybe as a sign of them), Gorbachev is more in control than he has ever been. He has put his men into all of the major positions in government, and he himself holds more positions than any leader in Soviet history since Uncle Joe Stalin.

*Glasnost* has its limits. Regardless of the motives, regardless of Gorbachev's perceived need to radically reform his nation, *glasnost* can not be expected to allow true and complete "openness." If it did, there would be nothing to stop the national movements from seceding from the Soviet union, and only a Greater Muscovy would be left.

Gorbachev's greatest strength is his willingness the practical over the dogmatic. To respond to the recent uprising with force would be inconsistent with this approach; even if the rebellious countrymen are quashed, the resulting world disapproval would exact too high a price.

## The winning spirit

It takes time and commitment to build a winning basketball team at the collegiate level. It takes commitment from administrators and coaches, but students must also be willing to support their school's team.

GW students complain about the lack of school spirit here, but many do not attend basketball games. Student support is extremely important to the future of our athletics and our University in general.

A winning basketball team can bring much recognition to a school, both for academics and sports, take Duke for example. The school's basketball team is the top-ranked team in the country and the academic reputation of Duke is excellent as well.

GW's reputation could be greatly enhanced by a winning basketball program, but student support is needed. GW head coach John Kuester, in his fourth year, has taken steps to improve the calibre of his team, but despite this, students do not show up for games in large enough numbers.

The games are for the students' and faculty's entertainment, and it is up to the spectators to make the games entertaining. A school like GW that has problems being unified could use basketball as a rallying point.

It is a student's obligation to support his or her school's team. The interests of Kuester and the students are identical on this issue—both would like to see a winning program.

Kuester has done his part, but some students have not kept their part of the bargain. If he wins, everyone gains. But if he wins without the students present, they have missed an opportunity to get in on the ground floor of something that might be a winner.

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### The students' voice

We are your student representatives on the SGBA Dean Search Committee and we are asking for your input. We are very interested in your opinions, ideas and thoughts on what type of individual you would like to see lead the School of Government and Business Administration into the 1990s and beyond. Would you prefer a leader from the academic, business or public service community? What other expectations or recommendations do you have? Do you have any specific person in mind who you would like to nominate for the committee's consideration?

We cannot stress enough how important it is for you to make your opinions and expectations known so that we can accurately represent them to the committee. Whether you are an undergraduate or graduate, just starting out or about to graduate, the choice of dean will affect you. The GW School of Government and Business Administration will always appear on your resume, so the future of this school should be of major concern to you. Replies can be sent in strictest confidence to:

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### Basketball spirit

As the 1988-89 basketball season gets closer, we hope you share the same excitement and optimism we do. There is a new spirit developing at the Charles E. Smith Center and we want you to be a part of it. This is why I have chosen the slogan "The Spirit of Teamwork" as our motto for the basketball season. Teamwork is the foundation for success of George Washington University athletics. With all of us sharing the enthusiasm, the pride and the victories as a team—as we all work hand-in-hand, and

side-by-side, to rally toward a common goal—we build and support a tradition of athletic and academic excellence at George Washington University. Together we can make things happen. It's everyone: administrators, faculty, staff and students bonding together and sharing and caring to become a vital element in support of University athletics. You are a valuable asset. Your support is an investment, influencing the present and future of George Washington University athletics. I sense that we are quickly approaching a turning point in the development of our basketball team when we are going to be on the right end of the score more times than ever before. Do not hesitate, join the team now. Be a part of "The Spirit of Teamwork" as we continue the climb upward in the very competitive Atlantic 10 Conference. I thank you in advance for your support and I look forward to meeting many of you personally at our games at the Smith Center.

-John Kuester  
-Head Basketball Coach

### Fraternity spirit

During the past several weeks, the Hatchet has printed several front page stories that have shown the Greek community at GW in a negative light. It was therefore a pleasure to see two letters in the November 14 issue, "The Positive Side" and "School Spirit" which highlighted some of the Greek community's positives.

As a pledge of the Sigma Nu fraternity, I do not profess to be an authority on the Greek system but I can express what enticed me into wanting to become a member of the Greek community.

I entered GW in 1987 with two false prejudices: 1) the only thing that Greeks did was throw parties and get drunk all the time and 2) our University had a lot of unity and school spirit. I quickly discovered that both of these assumptions were far from the truth. First, GW does not have school spirit. It is unfortunate, but true. Second, I discovered that Greeks did much more than throw parties. I learned about all the community service that every fraternity and sorority is constantly taking part in. I also found the school spirit and unity that I was looking for.

Everywhere I looked, fraternities and sororities were active in some school activity: intramurals, the MDA Super Dance, Miriam's All-Nighter, Homecoming, Greek Week, student leadership and of course all the area charities.

Look around, spirit and unity is thriving in the Greek community. Fraternities and sororities are an asset to this University.

-Paul Mamalian

### Inexcusable errors

In the article "Delt pledges paint town black" (Nov. 7, The GW Hatchet), there were several inexcusable errors that we wish to correct. First of all, TKF stands for Tau Kappa Epsilon and not Theta Kappa Epsilon, as was written in the article. This error could have been avoided if either the author or the editors had simply looked on page eight of the Guide to Campus Life, which lists all the campus clubs, organizations, sororities and fraternities. They would have seen that no such fraternity as Theta Kappa Epsilon exists on the GW campus.

Inconsistent with the quote that stated that there was no paint on the TKE house, an entire can of purple paint was thrown on the steps of the house, the side wall and a bicycle locked out front of the house. This error could have also been avoided if the author had bothered to speak with anyone who lives in the TKE house. She would have discovered that shortly after the vandalism occurred, brothers who were awake in the house at the time went outside and washed off the paint, which was still wet. Simply because few visible signs of damage were left does not mean that it did not occur. We were simply lucky enough to minimize it.

We are not making any kind of statement concerning Delta Tau Delta or their pledges, but about the poorly investigated article. In the future we hope that the Hatchet will make a greater effort to investigate their articles in order not to further insult any of the numerous campus organizations or misrepresent any facts of a situation.

-Lozlo Kovacs

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# Opinion

## An open letter to GW students from the West End tenants

Housing activists, D.C. lawmakers, city planners, community supporters and West End tenants echo the Hatchet's observation that "apparently, the honeymoon is over for President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg" (October 20, The GW Hatchet) as they react to GW's recent takeover attempt of the West End apartments. Over 100 permanent community residents call this building home; it is the final multi-unit rental building on the campus, independently controlled until August 1. Mr. Trachtenberg's callous statement at a Strong Hall forum that "this is the beginning and the end of this issue: I don't see why GW can't purchase a piece of property if they want to," left little doubt that GW's administration—a real estate corporate giant—has dug in its heels over the fate of the West End. Well, there is one vital reason why GW can't purchase this piece of property: in the District of Columbia, tenants have a right of first refusal when a third party (even one as powerful as GW) makes a purchase offer.

Knowing GW would attempt a takeover, tenants began negotiating their own purchase of the building in February. Tenant Association meet-

ings were all open, as was a meeting with a developer. The University was well aware of our plans. We believe the timing of GW's announced takeover on August 1 was no coincidence.

No one denies that this school has a serious housing shortage. The question is when will the University take the necessary steps to correct this mess. City Councilman James Nathanson referred to the campus housing shortage as an "institutional imperative" brought on whenever it is a University's policy to greatly expand enrollment with no corresponding plan to accommodate the students' housing needs. It is typical of University policy that in 1981, when GW already had a student housing shortage, it used the proceeds of a \$30 million tax-exempt bond authorized by the District of Columbia to build the Academic Cluster. Expanded classroom space resulted in larger enrollment, more (and, of course, higher) tuition, but still no new housing. Are city lawmakers seriously asked to condone GW's takeover of the West End because the additional students have no place to live? Is the West End the only solution? What kind of priorities are the University setting with student

and taxpayer money? Students, faculty, permanent residents, taxpayers—all interested parties—are increasingly observing that these mounting questions and doubts are slamming up against too little accountability from University decision-makers.

Further, who makes D.C. housing policy, city lawmakers or the University? Over the years, GW has purchased more than 17 apartments and residential hotels on or near the campus.

**Larry Miller  
Marianna Moore**

D.C.'s rent control law contains strict protections against eviction. Trouble is, dorms are exempt from rent control. In the past, it was GW's practice to hang up "dormitory" signs on the buildings they bought, give tenants notice and move in students. Hundreds of permanent residents were evicted. Six years ago, in response to the community's outcry, the Council finally got around to plugging up the loophole in the rent control law by defining dorms as buildings "in which at least 95 percent of the units are occupied by presently matriculated

students." Unfortunately, by that time, the only rent controlled buildings left on campus were the Schenley and the West End. GW maneuvered a takeover of the Schenley, and now they aim their guns at us. Well, they haven't succeeded at the West End. West End tenants are fighting back.

Students come in and out of a campus setting quickly. It is left to the permanent residents to expose GW's practice of conversion and displacement and to get involved in long-term campus planning. After years of community pressure for the University to build dorm space, the D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment finally responded to including in the "GWU Campus Master Plan into the Year 2000" a requirement that GW build a dormitory. Although too late for most permanent residents on the campus, building new dorms is the only answer. There are eleven campus sites awaiting development; most are flat, open parking lots. But instead of churning up a parking lot, GW insists it is cheaper to purchase the West End for student housing. Well, GW is not a poor, struggling University; it holds \$538 million in tax-exempt properties. Barring the federal government, it is the

largest holder of tax-exempt property in the city. Cost is a lame excuse for not building student housing. If city lawmakers were not so angry over the attempted takeover of the West End, GW probably could build new dorms at substantial savings with tax-exempt bonds. We doubt that any savings would be passed on to you by way of a tuition cutback—no, GW is far too "poor" for that.

In the end, this University must respond to the housing needs of its students in a humane and enlightened way. Please join with the community and tenants of the West End in one voice urging the Trachtenberg administration to correct the student housing shortage. Our efforts to save the West End must not be viewed as a confrontation with students. We consider ourselves your friends and neighbors. A campus is a vital place to live, one which offers many enriching opportunities. Like you, we enjoy it here and want to stay. Don't take the West End away from us, build new dorms now.

*Larry Miller and Marianna Moore are co-chairs of the West End Tenants Association.*

## Liberalism is not dead yet

Democrats looking for pinpricks of light amid the gloom are casting around wildly for something to be optimistic about in the wake of yet another defeat. Perhaps some comfort can be taken from the fact that Mike Dukakis won 46 percent of the popular vote, the second-best showing by a Democrat in the last 20 years. And, hey, he got almost 10 times as many electoral votes as Fritz Mondale, right?

But enough revelry. Democrats have to face the fact that at the presidential level our party has taken a historic drubbing. Not since the FDR-Truman era has a party won three consecutive terms in the White House. In the spring one cocky Democrat said, "If we can't beat Bush, we should pick another country." Better start shopping around.

Some think this was a good election to lose. Senator Dale Bumpers, who considered running, recently said that his colleague William Proxmire had taken to introducing him as "the man who had the opportunity to be the new Herbert Hoover and turned it down." The problems facing Bush after the election, starting with the federal budget deficit, are not going to melt away like spring snow. So maybe by 1992 Americans will be looking for a reason to vote against President Bush.

But that is only a possibility. Here is a certainty: the Republicans will enjoy an even greater electoral college advantage in four years than they do today. The population is moving toward the Sunbelt, and the 1990 census will reflect this trend. The states where Dukakis won or came very close—New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Illinois—are going to lose electoral votes. The states where he was beaten badly, particularly Florida and Texas, are going to gain electoral votes.

So the outlook for the Democrats at the presidential level is grim. But can we leap from that premise to the general assertion that liberalism in America is finished? A superficial analysis might indicate as much. After all, wasn't it the job of evil genius Roger Ailes to pin the "liberal" label on Dukakis with hard-hitting TV ads, and didn't he succeed? Even at the Atlanta convention, prominent Democrats confronted with the label ran away as if stricken with diarrhea.

Maybe I'm out of the mainstream (wherever that is), but I don't see it that way. I think Dukakis lost the election (which would have been an uphill struggle for any Democrat with unemployment at a 14-year low) by allowing Bush to define the word liberal. Dukakis' last-minute stab at defining liberalism his way cut his margin of defeat from 17 points in an October Wall Street Journal poll to eight points in the election. What if he had started stressing economic populism on Labor Day instead of Halloween? We'll never know. And what of Bush? So

much attention was paid to his sleazy tactics that the other prong of his campaign—stealing liberal themes—was ignored. Some reporters raised their eyebrows at Bush's sudden conversion to environmentalism. But how many reported that Bush had promised to spend more federal funds on education than pinchpenny Dukakis had? Or compared Bush's health-care plan—allowing more people to "buy into Medicare"—with Dukakis' which would have required companies to provide health insurance for their employees. As The New Republic observed, Dukakis' plan is actually the less "socialist" of the two, since it would at least allow competition among private insurers. Right-wing loonies Evans and Novak have already warned that Bush may wind up presiding over "a watered-down Dukakis program." Let's hope so.

**Thomas Scarlett**

The most pleasant surprise I got last week was an ABC News/Washington Post exit poll that showed that Dukakis won the 18 to 24-year-old vote, 50 percent to 49. The only other age group to vote for the Duke was the over-60 cohort. The media have been bashing the young people of the 1980s for years, depicting them as smug, mean-spirited greedheads. Last year *Newsweek On Campus* smirked that the new motto of young people was "don't trust anyone under \$30,000 a year." But if the Post/ABC poll is correct, a majority of young people voted for the liberal candidate. Maybe we're not so bad after all.

Other encouraging demographics include the 71 percent landslide Dukakis won of the Jewish vote. Neoconservatives like Irving Kristolk and Norman Podhoretz have been contending for years that Jews are defecting to the Republican Party because of Jesse Jackson, affirmative action and pro-Palestinian sentiment among Democrats. I'm still waiting for evidence.

Also, according to the Post/ABC poll, Dukakis won a majority of the Catholic vote. In fact, he won it 53 to 46 percent, almost as decisively as Bush won the general vote. (What happened to the abortion issue?) Catholic politics is rarely dull. The Catholic community has produced outspoken champions of the underprivileged such as Robert Kennedy and Mario Cuomo; it has also produced demagogues like Joe McCarthy and Pat Buchanan. It's nice to know that the former tradition still commands a majority.

There may be a coalition waiting to be led; there is nothing wrong with the Democratic party that better (See SCARLETT, p.6)

## Bush the lion-tamer

Night fell once again over the nation's capital as I walked leisurely down Eye Street. Then, as always, I was approached by a beautiful woman with long blonde hair, deep blue eyes and great ankles.

"Excuse me, I'm looking for excitement," she said.

"Well, my dear, you've come to the right place, on the perfect night," I replied.

"You're just in time to see the opening night of the Greatest Show on Earth." She looked puzzled. I smiled, coughed, then spit.

"You mean the circus?" she asked.

"Of sorts." I said as I sneezed into my hand.

I wiped it on my pants and continued, "You see President-elect George Bush will occupy the White House soon. Ronald Reagan will pass the presidential whip and chair and there will be a new man in the cage, ready to tame the hungry lions and tigers, and wrestle the dancing bears.

"There's a new circus in town, and it's called the Bush administration. The best part of this circus is when the knife thrower misses, impaling his assistant with the blade; the trapeze artists fall, as we hear the breaking of their fragile bones, and the lion tamer makes tasty fodder for his beasts.

"Oooh, ahhh" she said.

"Bush plans on forsaking a tax increase, protectionist legislation and has pledged to continue the Reagan legacy. It is, my dear," I smiled again. "A recipe for disaster that will have George the Great, reduced to George the Clown."

"How can Bush hope to tame a ferocious budget deficit, without raising taxes? How will he mend a convoluted foreign policy rife with

contradictions and subject to an embarrassing series of mistakes that have led to an erosion of U.S. credibility?"

"Our country is in dire straits." I performed a short "Shuffle Off to Buffalo" soft-shoe number. "We are no longer producing the engineers and scientists, the raw materials and textiles, the machinery and tools. We must fight each day to maintain a limited superiority in high technology against the Japanese and Germans. Our students are no longer the best educated and our teachers are unrewarded. Drugs ravage the nation's youth. The disparity between rich and poor is growing larger. We are a nation in decline."

**Rustin Ross**

I took her hand, "These are just a few of the wild creatures that will devour President Bush."

"The United States is being strangled by its own debt and trade deficit. Interest rates have nowhere to go in the future except upward, and I'm not the first person to recognize this. On the day after the election, for perhaps the first time in history, the stock market fell after the re-election of the incumbent party."

"George Bush has graciously consented to enter history as a big, bright and willing target for blame. He has placed his head into the mouth of the lion and I can hear the snap now, as he is decapitated, digested and placed into the books as the next best thing since Herbert Hoover."

*-Rustin Gardner Ross*



# Opinion

## Thank you is enough

"If the only prayer you ever had was to say 'thank you,' then that would be sufficient." So said Renaissance theologian Meister Eckart, sometime back in the 1500s.

Yet Thanksgiving in our culture often suffers through the Macy's parade, the football festivals, the Christmas sale kick-offs, anxiety about semester-ending finals, traffic jams ... all this crammed into a four-day weekend tucked away in the last gasp of November.

Where is the thanksgiving in Thanksgiving?

Historical accounts reveal that there was a feast in the autumn of 1621 at the settlement of Plymouth, Massachusetts which brought together Pilgrims and Massasoit Indians, marking the end of harvest and the beginning of a severe winter. Indications are that no turkey was served. Rather, ducks, geese and partridges—all native Cape Cod Bay region fowl—were on the menu. What's more, no bread or pumpkin pie was on hand. Flour supplies brought over from England had long been depleted, and wheat harvests in the rocky New England countryside were years away. Pumpkin was probably served like squash, as a vegetable.

Facts like these are uncovered in various pieces of research, notably *Thanksgiving: An American Holiday, An American History*, by Diana Karter Appelbaum. Appelbaum maintains that the forerunner of our Thanksgiving Day was never intended to be an annual holiday, and, by definition on the times, shouldn't be called Thanksgiving. A synthesis of European traditions, the pilgrims' historical fete was more like an Old

World "Harvest Home" celebration—a day of drinking, recreation and shenanigans—than a "thanksgiving." For the Puritans, however, the concept of a thanksgiving day was that it was a religious day ... to give thanks for a specific event. It was a day of solemn prayer and devotion. There might have been two or three such days in a good year.

In the time since then, our culture has continued to tussle with, and within, the nature of our holidays and public observances. Anything called "Thanksgiving Day" challenges us to discern between the legend and the fiction, the tradition and the myth of such an especially public event.

### Rev. Bill Crawford

In 1880, The New York Times said, in essence, "What's the use?" Thanksgiving had become the day of the greatest gridiron contests, most notably the Yale-Harvard game at the Polo Grounds in New York City. The Times, in an editorial, suggested that the name "Thanksgiving Day" be replaced with "Football Day."

In 1939 President Roosevelt bent to pressures from national retailers to move up the date of Thanksgiving to the third week in November to create an extra week of shopping. Individuals, cities and states then observed the holiday on different days in November, depending on which side of the national controversy they stood. Traditionalists were outraged, and so were football coaches whose game

schedules were suddenly awry. Finally, in 1941, FDR restored the holiday to the fourth Thursday in November.

In this year's official proclamation, President Reagan calls us to "take the time both to remember the sacrifices that have made our harvest possible and the needs of those who do not fully partake of its benefits. The gratitude that fills our being must be tempered with compassion for the needy."

Presidential proclamations and televised parades, gridiron classics and department store bargains have, for better or worse, become a feature of the event we now call Thanksgiving Day. A walk back through history to origins of Thanksgiving Day reveals our natural tendency to celebrate for celebration's sake. But at the heart of it all, the richness of thanksgiving is found in our simple expression of thanks.

You name it, as only you can: thanks for the love of loved ones, which sustains us in particularly personal and precious ways. Thanks for hope in the midst of despair. Thanks for healing and humor and the horizons which stretch out before us and go with us the extra mile. Thanks for food for the hungry and for those who hunger for the hungry to be fed.

Go ahead, give thanks ... enjoy Thanksgiving.

And when all is said and done ... "If the only prayer you ever had to say was 'thank you,' then that would be sufficient."

Rev. Bill Crawford is chairman of the GW Board of Chaplains.

## A Thanksgiving list

Exactly how will I write of this? I asked myself two months ago. How will the crowded, hot, stainless steel-like elevators find their way onto paper? What about the smell of the hospital, the warnings of how bad a patient looks immediately following surgery, the recovery room itself? What about the others who were in the waiting room, and the reassuring glances they gave me, their kind comments, the strange, sustaining sense of comradeship? Can I make "sense of comradeship" a separate entry, apart from "heart surgery?"

The blessings I count are my own. The heart surgery was my father's. Sitting in the cardiac care waiting room, one hand in my grandmother's and another kept free for nail biting, I thought of my Thanksgiving tradition. It began a couple of years ago. I decided, after a fall full of feeling sorry for myself, that perhaps Thanksgiving would be as good a time as any to give thanks. I made a list. It was longer, much longer, than I would have expected.

### Christopher Moore

Such lists are quirky, personal affairs. I write down big things, like family, health, shelter, food, love. I write down little things. The Red Lion makes my list every year, as do my days along the shore, my never-ending tour of Italian eateries with my best friend, and my mornings alone with hot tea and The Washington Post. Too many things are materialistic. It may be wrong that my electric blanket is on the list, sandwiched between romantic dates and my cats. But the list is, after all, mine—and that's something else to be thankful for.

Things do change. The love of my life in 1986 didn't even show up on the 1987 list. People, places, memories and images pop on and off the list of what makes me grateful.

Every list is in some sense incomplete. Looking at pages of what I am grateful for instantly reminds me how impossible it would be to name everything. Some things are constant, though. When one of the constants was lying on a table, his chest sliced open by men I had never met, it made me think of my list again. It made me think of Thanksgiving.

Later, after the surgery and after one of my lonely but lively New Jersey Turnpike drives to Columbia Presbyterian, my father mentioned it himself. Thanksgiving, that is. He said we would go this year to the Macy's parade, a holiday tradition which harkens back much farther than my annual lists. He would be well enough, he said. I thought back to one Thanksgiving, about seven years ago, when I told him how important our parade trips were. It's not so much the parade, I had said to him, as that we keep going. Even looking down at the tubes attached to my father, and mindful of his temperature and the "complications," somehow his promise made sense. We would spend another cold November morning searching for a spot on the side of a city street, looking for the perfect place to watch the parade as it passed by. I would spend time finding the pretzel man and my father would complain about how few of the celebrities he recognized.

My midterms are over, so is the election and the Olympics and the beginning of the new television season. The days are shorter, as is the time to ponder what will be on my Thanksgiving list. I stare at a blank page and see too much, including blurry visions of a hospital I hated and the man it saved. It is probably best that I am unable to find words to express my thanksgivings. I should be grateful they are too big for the barriers of language and my own comprehension. Eventually, though, I will put together an incomplete account of my gratitude. Then, my father and I will be off to see the parade. We will, after all, keep going.

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### Insecure

I couldn't help but laugh a little (well, maybe a lot) when I read Emily Kroopnick's letter entitled "Hot Air" criticizing Mark Vane's post-election commentary (Nov. 17, The GW Hatchet). My question to Miss Kroopnick is: was this letter an attempt to humiliate and demoralize Mr. Vane for his "loudmouth" voice or a chance for you to show everyone what a true patriotic and dedicated American you (and your family and friends) are for voting for George Bush?

Whatever your message was, Miss Kroopnick, your letter accomplished nothing more than to show Hatchet readers what kind of an impact a good journalist can have on an insecure, pseudo-intellectual such as yourself. (Probably not one of Mr. Vane's original intentions, but something he should be proud of nonetheless.) If an article such as his has the ability to stir up that kind of an emotion from those who wear a plastic badge of courage, then more power to him. I'm not saying that Republicans are more patriotic than Democrats (or vice versa), but if the party clung to your "nationalism" and "spirit" then I'm voting for Gus Hall in 1992.

If I were Mark Vane, I might want to write you a personal thank-you note for showing such enthusiasm toward his column. At least he knows he has readers. And as for feeling safe and secure while walking down the street, I'd think twice. Remember, Willie's out there.

-Haig Najarian

### Ignorant slut

"Emily ... you ignorant slut," is what Dan Akroyd would say about Emily Kroopnick's letter to the editor about Mark Vane's column (Nov. 17, The GW Hatchet).

Miss Kroopnick's letter shows with clarity the intolerance of this campus. She assumes that since Mr. Bush is now President-elect Bush everyone should "rally around the flag" and the Republicans. Unfortunately, Miss Kroopnick, the bitter resentments of the campaign are not waved away like your suggestion of snuffing out Willie Horton's life.

Your accusation that since 54 percent of the popular vote went for Mr. Bush he is the right man for the job is hardly a mandate for the president. I think Mr. Bush will do a fine job for this country, however, he still needs to prove himself in the eyes of the people,

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candidates can't cure. I hate to kick Mike Dukakis when he's down, since I think he would have been a superior president. But on two crucial issues, foreign policy and crime, he was indeed too liberal for the electorate. Unlike Dukakis, most Americans support the death penalty and applauded Reagan's reprisal against Libya. Bush won by focusing on these sorts of issues.

The central problem facing American liberalism in the late 20th century is its inability to reconcile generosity toward people in trouble through no fault of their own (the poor, the victims of discrimination) with the need to punish those who are in trouble because they have committed antisocial acts (criminals, terrorists).

the world and to people like myself and Mr. Vane.

Where our points of view differ, Miss Kroopnick is where you show a shallow, simple and single-minded intolerance of a different point of view. Mr. Vane's attack on Mr. Bush and his "mouth-breathing" voters may have been a little vicious but it was hardly an attack upon you, Miss Kroopnick. Your letter displayed the mindset of a zealot.

As for the posters about Mr. Vane by some members of an unnamed frat, it once again shows on the whole the sophomoric and immature attitude that is present upon this campus and fraternity system. Mr. Vane's article is appreciated by the majority every Monday, but those few who are satirized act like revengeful little beasts who have to strike out in any way possible to capture some attention.

Hopefully in the future both of these parties will remember something a little higher than Mr. Bush; the United States Constitution and the freedom of speech.

-Robert Bole

### Megachutzpah

Emily Kroopnick truly displayed what can only be termed "megachutzpah" in "Hot Air," her long-winded attack on Mark (he's so) Vane (Nov. 17, The GW Hatchet). I am astounded that a university student would sign her name to such a piece of drivel which does little more than parrot the inane "issues" of the Bush campaign. Indeed, she even denied that the Bush campaign's use of the Horton case has racist overtones! Further, immediately after she condemned as untrue Vane's assessments of Bush supporters as "heartless slimes who only look out for number one," she expressed her rationale for supporting Bush as: "I want to feel safe and secure when I am walking down the street, I don't want to worry about foreign powers and I want my hard work to pay off." Unbelievable!

Actually, Vane's column is the highlight of the Hatchet. All those who disagree apparently miss his point, which I suspect is to provide both an interesting perspective and an amusing diversion. Keep it up, Mark; in the words of Miss Kroopnick, "go ahead and mouth off."

As for Miss Kroopnick, "all the hot air in the world won't" convince me that "Bush is the man for the job (and) that is why he was elected."

-Robert Tolchin

Mike Dukakis is not the man to address this tension; indeed, he is a symptom of it.

And so we are left with a moderately conservative president facing a moderately liberal Congress, as well as a host of problems that will almost certainly demand some form of activist government. In 1980 Ronald Reagan promised a nasty, every-man-for-himself kind of America, and that is just what he has bequeathed to us. George Bush, by contrast, promised a "kinder, gentler nation" this time around. If he meant it, let me offer this advice to our new president. You'd better get started now, pal. You've got a lot of work to do.

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# Greeks pass up invite to committee

Discussion on racism gets 'low turnout,' says Aronsohn

by John F. Maynard  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW Committee on Cultural Awareness and the GW Program Board invited fraternities and sororities to participate in a discussion on racism and prejudice Friday.

Dvora Flavin of the D.C. Center for Learning and Leading lead what Inter-Fraternity Council President Mike Goff described as "a round-table discussion." Although the group has discussions every week, the PB decided to invite the Greeks to Friday's meeting.

"We went through several aspects of how we respond to racism and how it is indoctrinated into our everyday life," Goff said. "A main point that (Flavin) brought up was that apathy toward the problem exists due to a feeling of helplessness.

"People say 'I can't affect the problem if I can't do anything to help,' " he said.

During the program, the participants were asked by Flavin to relate

experiences and problems that they have had with racism in the past.

Goff said he felt the program went fairly well and was happy to see one-third of all fraternities and sororities in attendance.

"I think those in attendance were impressed with the program," he said. "I believe the individuals who discussed their experiences learned a lot."

While Goff said he was satisfied with the low turnout, which he attributed to the number of people who work on Friday afternoon, PB Chairman Paul Aronsohn was "very disappointed."

"The fraternities and sororities who did send representatives should be commended," he said. "But there is no excuse for the low turnout."

Aronsohn said he believes he can attribute the low turnout to an excess of ignorance. "We've been pushing the program for over a month," he said. "Calls have been made to all the houses. Some responded that they did not have a problem with prejudice so

they didn't need to attend.

"Some presidents mocked the program and didn't even consider attending," he said.

Aronsohn said that those who did attend "got a lot out of it and were more than willing to participate in the discussion."

Some fraternity presidents said they did not even know about the program. AEPi president Scott Wolf said he does not remember receiving information about the program. Ray Doherty, president of Phi Sigma Kappa said, "I never heard about it."

Aronsohn said he is sure that all presidents received information on the workshop.

GW Greek Affairs Coordinator Sue Gowen said that despite the low turnout she hopes those who did attend can learn from it. "If they got something from it, hopefully they can give it to others," she said.

Gowen said she hopes to have the program again next season if the resources are available.

## New schedule of classes available

by Lisa Schroeter  
Hatchet Staff Writer

A revised Spring 1989 Schedule of Classes, containing changes in professors as well as times, days and locations of classes, is now available in the GW Student Association office.

The purpose of the project, according to Columbian College Senator Jon Klee was to help students choose next semester classes, not to discredit or retaliate against the University Registrar's Office, which many feel should be responsible for making these changes public.

The Registrar's Office does print a revised copy for the general registration process in January, Klee said, but

most students choose to participate in the preregistration process instead. Klee said it would be very difficult for the Registrar to publish a revised copy in the limited time remaining for preregistration.

"This is something that (GWUSA) can do to help the students," Klee said.

Klee compiled the comprehensive listing by sending letters requesting information from the departments. He visited those that did not respond and obtained the changes from their offices.

Klee said he spent approximately 10 hours obtaining the information and listing it in a schedule book.

Changes are still coming in to the GWUSA office from various departments, he said, so students are recommended to check the revised schedule as close to their registration date as possible.

There is also a small chance of error in the list, Klee said, and he advised students to visit the departments to be absolutely certain of a change. The revised book is "just a guide," he said.

The revised schedule is available in the GWUSA office, room 424 in the Marvin Center, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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These times dropped dramatically later in the day, Gaglione said, and he is usually able to cut his staff by more than half by noon, when the morning rush of calls has ended.

"The key (for students) is being prepared," said Susan Kaplan, assistant to the University president. "That

will cut way down on the talk time." Gaglione said he expects the talk time to increase after Thanksgiving.

"The kids calling now are not generally as well-prepared (as the graduates and upperclassmen)," Soper said.

"I'm very pleased with the feedback I've been getting," said Angela Runge, director of GW's Student Accounts Office. "The problems have been very, very minor. As far as I can see, we should continue just as we have."

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Robert Parris, composer, pianist and professor of music for 25 years at GW, will perform in a special retrospective concert of his work on Monday, Nov. 28 at 8 p.m. The performance will be held in the Marvin Center Theater. For tickets and information, call 994-6271.

ing will take place Thursday, Nov. 1 at 8 p.m. in the Academic Center, room B-120. This is the fourth in a program of free literary readings for the 1988-89 academic year. For more information, contact Mark L. Goldstein at 994-6460.

Poet and winner of the 1986 Lamont Poetry Prize, Jane Shore, will read selections from her work as part of the ongoing reading series sponsored by the Jenny McKean Moore Fund and the English department of the George Washington University. The read-

The GW Singers will perform their annual winter concert and Messiah sing-along. The free program will include works by Brahms, Mendelssohn, Britten, Haydn and Handel. The concert will be held in the Marvin Center Theater on Friday, Dec. 2 at 8 p.m. For information, call 994-6460.

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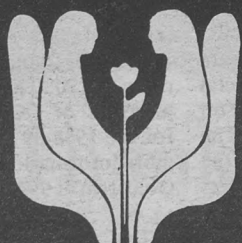
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# Looking for the 'disappeareds'

PSU, NISGUA discuss political problems of Guatemala at events

by Jim Holton  
Hatchet Staff Writer

GW's Progressive Student Union, in cooperation with the Network in Solidarity with the People of Guatemala (NISGUA), sponsored two activities dealing with the political situation in Guatemala last week.

A slide show highlighting the issue of missing persons in Guatemala was presented Tuesday in the Hall of Government. According to NISGUA, in the past decade more than 40,000 people have "disappeared," the euphemism NISGUA said is used to describe the government's policy of kidnapping citizens it sees as a threat to itself.

Large numbers of students are among those who have disappeared. In most cases, according to the slide show, victims are either never seen again or are found dead with evidence of torture on their corpses.

A large crowd attended the second event Saturday in Fungler Hall. The guest speaker was Rigoberta Menchu, whose efforts on behalf of political rights have earned her praise as "a voice of Indian Guatemala." According to Menchu, more than 80 percent of Guatemalans are native Indians. Menchu belongs to the Quiche group of Indians.

To begin the evening, the Guatemalan group Rumisonko played several songs on native Indian instruments. Rumisonko is noted for playing Nueva Cancion, or "new song" music. According to the group, Nueva Cancion marks a movement in Central America toward traditional

Indian music, which has been repressed in previous years by the governments of Guatemala. Nueva Cancion is currently enjoying a comeback in both the rural and urban areas of Guatemala.

Next, Reggie Norton from the Transnational Institute spoke about his experiences during his visits to Guatemala. The Transnational Institute, he said, is concerned with political and civil rights for Guatemalans.

Norton highlighted the obstacles facing reform. In particular, he talked of a Supreme Court Justice who had been expected to bring about meaningful judicial reform. Instead, due to internal pressure, the justice had become a "frustrated man (with little power)."

The government's policy toward the people who have disappeared, Norton said, is that most are due to "common crimes and delinquencies."

Grupo Apoyo Mutuo (Group for Mutual Support), which was founded by families of the missing, requested that the government establish an office to investigate the cases of disappearances. The government forwarded the request to the army for "comments," which meant no action would be taken, according to Norton.

"This U.S. Congress ... it's about time they listened," he said.

Robert Brauer, special counsel to Congressman Ronald V. Dellums (D-Calif.), introduced the main speaker. Brauer accompanied Menchu on a 20 city tour of the United States. He told the audience how Menchu had been

arrested on a return trip to Guatemala and how labor unions, students and thousands of Indians had protested her arrest to show their support. Brauer called Menchu "the embodiment of the struggle."

Menchu came onto the stage to a standing ovation. Speaking through a translator, she began by telling her life story. Both her father and mother had been killed due to government violence. She discussed the indigenous culture of Guatemala and how it had been violated by the government.

Using United Nations statistics, Menchu said more than 27,000 children in Guatemala die because of malnutrition each year. She focused attention on model villages, the government's effort to remove civilians from the countryside into communities controlled by the army and told how occupants were forced into labor the army called "voluntary."

Menchu also touched on the issue of land rights. Currently, she said, 75 percent of the land in Guatemala is owned by 2 percent of the population. People who ask for land are intimidated by the government, she said.

Menchu's main focus was on the problem of the "disappeareds." She said "the worst thing is that each victim has a husband or a wife and a family. You'd like to believe they're still alive."

More than 80 people are kidnapped each month by the government or army, Menchu said. "To forget," she said, "is to violate the very dignity of our lives."

# CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Campus Highlights is a free listing of registered campus organizations and departmental activities. If your club or department would like to list its meetings, programs, parties, etc., come to the Office of Campus Life, Marvin Center second floor and fill out a card. Campus Highlights appears in each Monday edition of the GW Hatchet, and the deadline for submissions is noon on the Wednesday before publication. For further information, call 994-7467.

Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, Campus Highlights will not appear in the Hatchet until Monday, December 5. Anyone wishing to make a submission for the week of December 5, must do so before November 30 at 12 noon.

## NOTICES

The University Counseling Center will be offering Study Skills Seminars, Procrastination Prevention Programs and group discussions concerning alcohol and drug use. Throughout the semester. Info-994-6550. Watch for times, dates and locations.

Need help in your studies or interested in helping someone else? The Dean of Students Peer Tutoring Service is now recruiting tutors for all subjects. Info-Debbie Morgan 994-6710. Rice Hall 401.

The Wellness Resource Center sponsors fitness classes for GW employees, students and staff throughout the semester. Info-994-6927. Watch for times, events, dates and locations.

The GW College Democrats is looking for people interested in community service projects, such as tutoring, Miriam's

Kitchen and social action legislation. Info-Jenny Frankel 628-5803.

The George Washington University Basketball team is looking for team managers for the 1988-89 season. Info-Danny 676-2353.

The Armenian Students Organization needs new members. Interested in joining? Info-Paul Mamalian 994-9499.

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS

11/21 Bangladesh Student Association sponsors a cultural exhibit, "Discover Bangladesh". Info-Mintu Bachann 765-5952. Free food, drink and admission. 4-7 p.m. Marvin Center 415.

11/28 The GW Music Department presents a Concert of Works by Robert Paris. Info-994-6245. 8 p.m. The Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre. Tickets are required.

11/28 Beta Alpha Psi sponsors "Tax Careers" - with Ernst Whinney. Info-Prof. Larry Singleton 994-4987. 8 p.m. Marvin Center 409.

11/29 The Latin American Studies Program sponsors "Privatization Problems in Latin America" - with Bill Glade. 4:10 p.m. Academic Center T-110. Free.

11/29 The Career Services Center sponsors a Job Search Strategy workshop. Info-994-6496. 5:30-7 p.m. Academic Center T-509.

11/29 Come see the Student Senate at work. Senate Meetings are open to the public. Info-Matt Genz 676-7856. 9 p.m. Mitchell Hall.

11/30 The Career Services Center presents a Letter and Resumes workshop. Info-994-6496. 12 noon-1:30 p.m. Academic Center T-509.

11/30 College Democrats, Program Board, GWUSA, PSU, BPU, Vietnamese Student Union present "Cry Freedom," the 1987 Award Winning Movie. 8 p.m. Fungler 103. Free.

12/1 The GW Speech and Hearing Clinic sponsors a Hearing Screening Day. Students, staff and their families are welcome to come for a free hearing screening. Info-Yaffe Oziel 994-7360. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Fungler 407.

12/1 The Career Services Center presents a Job Search Strategy workshop. Info-994-6496. 5-6:30 p.m. Academic Center T-509.

12/2 The GW Music Department presents the University Singers, Winter Concert & Messiah Sing-Along with Dale Voelker, Acting Director. Info-994-6245. 8 p.m. The Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre. Tickets required.

12/2 Beta Alpha Psi presents an Initiation Luncheon. Info-Prof. Larry Singleton 994-4987. 1 p.m. University Club.

12/3 The GWU Greek Student Club, "KOSMOS" presents a Piano Recital by Marilyn Garst. The program will include Greek classical contemporary composers. Info-Ellen Osmanski 994-6245 or Gilda Kornhauser 941-4221. 8 p.m. Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre. \$5 general admission.

## WEEKLY MEETINGS

M Hillel presents Israeli Folkdancing. 7p.m.-

basic instruction, 8:15 p.m.-intermediate instruction. 9:15-11 p.m. Open Dancing (free to members, \$1 students). Info-Judy Rodenstein 296-8873/676-5219. Marvin Center 3rd Floor Continental Room.

M Students for Solidarity sponsors weekly meetings (organizing publicity about the Polish Pro-Democracy/Movement). Info-Doris Sokoloff 994-7284. 8 p.m. Marvin Center 419.

M Dept. of Classics and Dept. of Religion sponsors a leisurely reading of New Testament in Greek. Informational. Bring lunch if you like. Info-Elizabeth Fisher 994-6125. Dept. of Religion, Bldg. O 102. Noon-1 p.m.

T International Student Society holds ISS Coffee Hour. Info- Helen Narvasa 994-6860 or 994-6864. 4-7 p.m. 2129 G St. Rm. 101. Free.

T/TH/S International Shotokan Karate Club sponsors traditional practice of Japanese Karate sessions. Info and locations-Freder-

ick Betmorada 521-5738. T/Th 7-9 p.m., Sat. 10:30 a.m.-12 noon.

W The GW Program Board's weekly meeting. All new members welcome!! Info-Camille 994-7313. 8 p.m. Marvin Center 429.

F The Eastern Orthodox Christian Club holds a luncheon meeting with discussions. Info-Father Basil Summer (301) 229-6300. Noon. Marvin Center Cafeteria.

F Hillel holds Reform and Conservative Shabbat Services. Info-Judy Rodenstein 296-8873/676-5219. 6 p.m. Hillel Center, 2300 H St., NW.

F Hillel presents traditional Shabbat dinner. \$6 students, \$5 members, \$10 non-students. Advance reservation and payment by Wednesday, please. Info-Judy Rodenstein 296-8873/676-5219. 7 pm. Hillel Center, 2300 H St., NW.





## CITY SKETCH

## Flying the coop with wing experts

New take-out order place beats Domino's and Campus Delivery anyday

by Denise Helou  
and Mark Vane

Far too many times ordering out has proved to be more trouble than it's worth. Those two hour long waits for boring Campus Delivery, the greasy, slippery mess of Rumi's, the disappointing taste of cold Chinese food. Where has the world gone when you can't even rely on Domino's anymore, which, by the way, has become more worn out than eating at Saga freshman year.

There is no time for despair, though, when the future of the typically unhealthy college diet is at stake. College students are usually not so hopeless as to give up all possibility of freedom in the forest of fast food establishments. No doubt if you asked most students, they could offer a few catchy suggestions for a take-out service.

Just leave every little problem up to college students and somehow the world will straighten itself out. Take Jeff Mott and Lou Backe, two recent Boston College graduates. These young 22-year-olds certainly set their minds on a gold mine when they came up with their own little marketable brainstorm here in D.C., The Right Wing.

With 12 different flavors of chicken wings, the guys can't go wrong. Already, since its Oct. 6 opening day, their little business venture has spread its wings (just a little pun) on both the GW and Georgetown campuses. Suicide or Terra-barb? Questions like these are often heard every Saturday night.

Call it the luck of D.C. Or call 342-WING. Either way, The Right Wing is now a definitive Washington institution. This little haven is not going anywhere. "It's caught on a lot better than we thought," Mott said. "We expected to take losses for a while. From the first week on, it's been really successful."

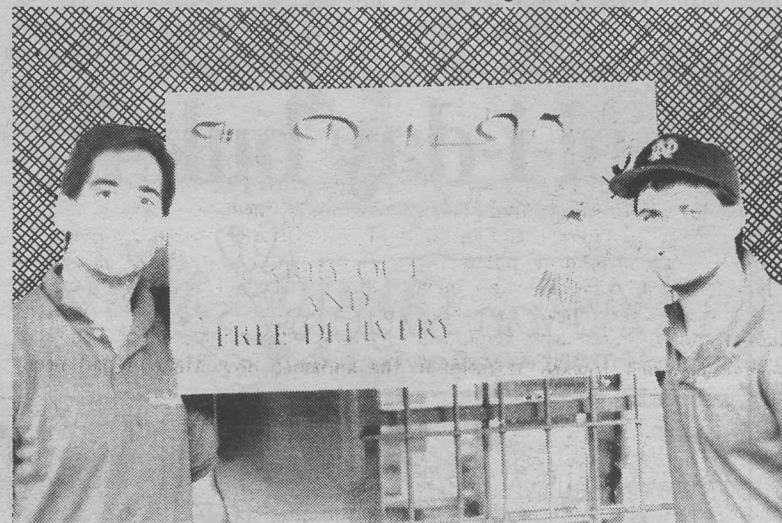
After graduating from school last spring, Mott and Backe agreed on setting up this strictly take-out establishment in D.C., recognizing the area's potential as a college market. The idea struck them as far back as December, however, while sitting around one Friday night, Backe said, wanting wings in Boston with nowhere to find them.

Trying to survive the endless six-month drama of red tape involved in opening up any business was the first ordeal these fresh graduates faced. "I could give you a novel about that. So many times I just wanted to quit," said Mott, who estimated he spent about 100 hours downtown sifting through paperwork.

Yet, persistence obviously pays off, for the two now have their own little corner of the world resting on the canal in Georgetown, as well as a booming business. Life isn't always that bad after college; as long as you are willing to work 120 hours a week

and have a quickly-expanding business over your head, that is.

Although still responsible for just about all of the labor, including the cooking, their present situation is nothing abnormal for a starting business. Since opening night when only these two along with one other driver were running the entire gig, times have changed. Eleven drivers have joined the staff and the partners say they will start looking for a manager this winter.



And all this just from a little wing. As Mott and Backe have proved, the art of cooking these little creatures can be mastered. After working many a night for 10 hours straight, the two have now become experts in preparing the different varieties of wings. All the chicken is initially deep-fried and then sauteed with the necessary spices. At first, they say, it took a lot of playing around with different recipes until the basic ingredients for each one became clear.

Now, with the wings in the frying pan, these two wing experts know exactly how much tabasco sauce and whatever else it takes to produce the unique and distinctive taste for each variety. The spicier ones include Suicide, Cajun and Spicy Barbeque while Honey & Mustard, Parmesan & Garlic and Lemon & Pepper are known more for their specialized allure.

Orders come in four sizes—small, medium, large and extra large; party platters, ranging from 20 to more than 50 pounds, for those special occasions, are also available.

No one wing variety takes the prize as "most popular." While both Backe and Mott agree the Buffalo varieties usually have a distinct stronghold, those most frequently ordered vary from week to week. As the working night goes on, they noted, the tendency in the wing flavors requested tends to increase in intensity; macho drunkards like to show off in the wee morning hours by ordering some Suicide wings.

Wing eating can become an addiction of sorts, as both Mott and Backe can testify. At one point, these guys

were eating wings for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Try and out-wing that. Many of The Right Wing's regular customers are attempting to; the two note several lunch customers come in every day while many GW-ites have already tuned in on the craze in great numbers.

The Right Wing may attract a substantial business crowd for lunch, but the main clientele comes from nearby colleges. In addition to GW and Georgetown, the drivers deliver to

Mount Vernon College and American University, providing the latter students don't mind a one-hour wait. For the closer colleges, the two say customers generally receive their orders within 30 minutes (not counting the few mishaps on opening night).

In addition to the many varieties of wings offered, this establishment also sports a noteworthy "Side Order"

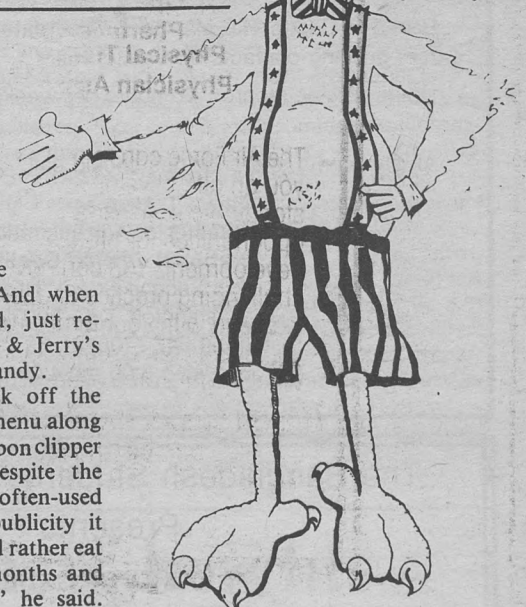
menu. Mozzarella sticks, onion rings, breaded zucchini, french fries, breaded mushrooms—even vegetarians can enjoy such fare. The four different types of calzones—pepperoni, sausage, roast beef and spinach/mushroom—are worth checking out, too. And when the springtime rolls around, just remember their stock of Ben & Jerry's ice cream—it may come in handy.

To help get the gimmick off the ground, the two enclosed a menu along with coupons in a D.C. coupon clipper distributed at colleges. Despite the financial loss from the often-used coupons, Mott said the publicity it gave them was worth it. "I'd rather eat the cost for the first few months and get my name established," he said. These valuable coupons are in demand so much, people have started to photocopy them.

As anyone who has worked in the restaurant industry knows, the world is full of strange people. Of course, Mott and Backe may only operate a take-out/delivery service, but the two have already encountered some bizarre incidents. Once, when trying to deliver an order to American University, the driver found the student passed out on his bed and could not wake him up; so he left with the order.

The two graduates have a list of names and numbers on the wall resulting from the various little jokes

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people play in ordering to the wrong rooms. All in all, it's been a satisfying business so far for Mott and Backe. A hectic one at times, they say, but still rewarding.

These young entrepreneurs are even speculating on sights for a second wing shop, looking at Philadelphia, College Park, Md. or the American University area.

So throw away all those small business and management books you own—they can only take you so far. The real secret to success is much simpler than that. Practically any business venture will succeed, provided you have the right gimmick.

## —The Right Wing—guide—

With 12 kinds of wings to be found at The Right Wing, making up your mind what to order can be a true dilemma. We, after much deliberation and wing eating, have come up with this handy dandy Wing Rating Guide. Our favorites get five star ratings, while the scale goes down from there. Honestly, there is no way to go wrong when ordering wings, but we have to rank some over others. Cut this guide out and tape it to your fridge for future reference. We also recommend you order more than a small if the wings are to be a meal (medium for one, with a few left over for breakfast, a large for two and an extra large for three).

**Buffalo:**

**Mild**—These are for wimps. They are good, but considering the superior, more spicy wings, why hold back? \*\*

**Medium**—Good, and close to the best offered. Still, we suggest you go for the gusto. \*\*\*\*

**Hot**—Here you go! The perfect ammount of spices. Hot, but not too hot. Highest rating. \*\*\*\*\*

**Suicide**—Be forewarned. These are excellent, yet may be too overpowering for some. \*\*\*\*\*

**Cajun**—Our favorite. Spicy, but sweet. These are unusual, which adds to their great taste. Highest ratings. \*\*\*\*\*

**Parmesan and Garlic**—Not spicy, yet full of a unique taste. Good complement to balance off a supply of hot wings. \*\*\*\*

**B-B-Q:**

**Regular**—Mild temperature, yet tangy. \*\*\*\*

**Spicy**—Excellent combination that satisfies spicy cravings while sweet BBQ sauce seeps through. \*\*\*\*

**Honey and Mustard**—Must be accompanied with the homemade mustard sauce. Mild taste is a good way to give your mouth a break during a spicy wing fest. \*\*\*\*

**Teriyaki**—Good use of a traditional sauce, but why not go for something more unique? \*\*\*\*

**Lemon and Pepper**—The light taste may be a refreshing change from some of the harsher flavors. A surprise, high-ranking finisher in our survey. \*\*\*\*

**Terra-Barb**—An interesting combination with more teriyaki than the BBQ. As is the case with some of the other milder wings, these are a good change from some of the mouth burners. \*\*\*\*



# GPA, the job hunt, \$\$\$—welcome to the world of stress

by Kerry Kane  
Asst. News Editor

"Don't worry, be happy"—it may be an annoying song, but according to Dr. Robert Kriegel it is also a valuable lesson, especially for college students.

Kriegel, a sports psychologist and author, said he "has spent the last 16 years exploring, developing and applying the most advanced strategies to help people reach peak performance."

College students have "the highest level of backaches, headaches and stomach aches," Kriegel said, noting

that in 1985 the Nuprin Pain Report, the first national study on pain in America, found "more people 18 to 24 years old are likely to suffer stress and pain than any older age group."

Nuprin has funded a grant and sponsored a national tour allowing Kriegel to visit college campuses to teach students "how to deal with the pressures of college," he said. He recently appeared at the University of Maryland.

The pressures in college are no different from the pressures in the

business world, Kriegel said, but "for students in college, (the pressures) are much more intense because for most people, it's the first time they've had to deal with them. It's entering a whole new world, which means taking responsibility for themselves."

"Changes are coming so much faster," he said. "There is the peer pressure to get ahead, make more money (and) get a good job."

The pressures do not subside, however, when people graduate and get a job, Kriegel said. "There will still be too much to do—deadlines, change, making money. The pressure just keeps going. You have to learn to deal with it now."

Kriegel said he has identified five common reactions to stressful situations, or "sabotage thinking," and recommends "cures" for them.

● **"The Gottas:"** According to Kriegel, the gottas occur when a person thinks he has "too much to do and too little time to do it." To someone with the "I've gotta ..." attitude, everything seems more difficult than it really is. As a result, the gottas cause people to "act desperately and think irrationally."

The Cure: Do a "reality check," ask what is the worst thing that could possibly happen and how likely it is to happen.

● **"The Worries:"** This is "what if" thinking. People with this reaction to pressure focus on the worry, which, Kriegel said, "overwhelms you with negativity, makes you feel depressed, reduces your energy and prevents you from getting your work done ... (The Worries) are notorious for causing headaches and sleeplessness."

The Cure: "A rule of thumb to remember is that you can't control other people or external situations ... but you can control your information, attitude and actions," Kriegel said. Turn worry into anticipation. Change "what if" to "if it happens, then I can do ..." Anticipating all possibilities builds confidence.

● **"The Can'ts:"** The can'ts come from thinking too far ahead or trying to do something that is out of your control. According to Kriegel, the can'ts "overwhelm us so we don't do anything but procrastinate" or do nothing.

The Cure: Overcome the can'ts by changing the can'ts to a can. Focus on

the the next project. "Remember, small wins lead to big victories," Kriegel said.

● **"The Uh-Ohs/Oh Nos:"** This type of thinking focuses on past failures or mistakes, causing stress to increase while pushing confidence level down. "Dwelling on a past failure or mistake is a rehearsal for a repeat performance," Kriegel said.

The Cure: Focus on past successes and victories, even to the point of keeping a log of them. Visualizing yourself doing well reminds you that you have already done well in a similar situation.

● **"The Don'ts:"** Thinking about what you don't want to happen can make it happen. It increases the pressure on a person to perform. According to Kriegel, "Don't look where you don't want to go."

The Cure: Ask yourself, what do you want to happen? Visualizing helps you move in the desired direction.

Kriegel stressed the importance of choosing a career that is self-fulfilling. "Looking for the 'right job' usually means finding one that pays well," he said. "You have to first look inside for what you enjoy. Don't look for the 'right job,' look for what you love."

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# Arts and Music

## Russel's *White Worm* proves being weird can be good

by Chad M. Miller

With *The Lair of the White Worm*, director Ken Russel once again breaks the rules to prove there is something good to be said about being weird. Through his first 11 films, Russel remained relatively unknown. It was not until his 12th film, 1980's *Altered States*, that he received critical and popular praise. Ever since, Russel has been considered a prominent figure in the film industry and has maintained a knack for the visually bizarre, to which *Gothic*, *Salome's Last Dance* and his segment of *Aria* can readily attest. Even the title of his latest achievement suggests it is anything but conventional.

*The Lair of the White Worm* begins in the countryside of Derbyshire, England, where a young, training archaeologist has just discovered a giant reptile skull. Neither he nor the two beautiful English girls he is staying with realize the significance of his find. Russel gives the audience the advantage while the characters may not know what the skull is, or just what it foreshadows. We know what's to come, which only heightens the excitement and hilarity of the whole situation.

Relying heavily on deep satire and recurrent worm motifs, the first 75 percent of *White Worm* is a sheer delight. Not a second is wasted in setting the scene for the importance of the worm as Russel takes us to a ball at the local prince's palace, where quite appropriately, the legend of the giant worm is explained through a folk song and a skit performed by the prince and a huge, Chinese dragon-like white worm.



Lady Sylvia Marsh (Amanda Donohoe) in 'Lair of the White Worm'

No sooner does the Scottish archaeologist try out the local Derbyshire dinner specialty (just guess what it might be) than does the seductive, deadly Lady Sylvia Marsh rush into the film. However, the fun wears off when the film turns away from its life source—the vampiress Marsh, portrayed by little-known Amanda Donohoe (*Castaway*)—to center on the legendary worm. This is truly unfortunate and the clichéd ending betrays the originality and wit that comprises the better part of the film.

Little can be said of the cast and their acting since most everyone was virtually unknown. The exception, however, is Catherine Oxenberg, the stunning blonde best known for her role as Amanda Carrington on TV's "Dynasty." All the actors and actresses fit perfectly; at no time does one feel uncomfortable with any of them being on screen. Oxenberg was quite aptly cast as the beautiful, virginal damsel in distress. You couldn't ask for a more sultry and crafty actress than Donohoe, who delivers with flair. Hugh Grant (*White Mischief*) portrays a modern-day knight in J. Crew while Peter Capaldi is the determined archaeologist who instigates the outlandish situation with his discovery.

Spunky, extravagant, tastefully stupid, visually intoxicating and deceptively delirious, *The Lair of the White Worm* is definitely not for everyone and would be best digested by those with a strong stomach for unconventional films and a keen ear for details. It is also at times, graphic and lurid, especially during the eccentric dream sequences which Russel seems ever so fond of filming. However, a word of caution for those interested, and even for weird film buffs: when in doubt, just laugh.

## Nothing to Bragg about

New LP disappointing thanks to no new insight

by Harold Wong

Armed with only an electric guitar and a huge, idealistic heart, British singer-songwriter Billy Bragg's first three albums are filled with provocative punk-folk tunes about his two



favorite topics—romance and politics. His latest, *Workers Playtime*, with the exception of its extremely political cover, is basically a collection of songs dealing with Bragg's frustration over the opposite sex.

On the new album he is no longer a simple guitar and voice man, as he is backed by smatterings of piano, trumpet and multiple guitars on certain tracks. The result is an inconsistent, hit-or-miss effort that doesn't convey anything new, or have the provocative insights of his last album, *Talking With the*

*Taxman About Poetry*. Lyrically and musically, Bragg seems to be swimming in The Smith's territory, as his lyrical openness is similar to Morrissey's and the guitar tracks have an obvious Johnny Marr influence. Since Bragg doesn't have the technical skill of either, he sounds really clumsy on many songs.

Although the cover of the album depicts smiling Chinese workers with red flags flying and bears a subtitle of *Capitalism is Killing Music*, none of the songs discuss these bold statements. Bragg seems to be using this cover for shock value or as a publicity stunt. Seeing this gutsy cover and hearing some of these adolescent whinings just doesn't work. In fact, whatever his intentions are, it's grossly unappealing.

On past albums, Bragg's love songs have always been his most provocative, but on *Workers Playtime* he seems to have become just another of the countless complaining British singers burdening us with their personal failures and depressing world views. There is something incredibly tacky about a grown man sharing lyrics such as those found in "The Short Answer:" "All my friends from school/ introduce me to their spouses/ while I'm left standing here/ with my hands down the front of my trousers." Are we supposed to feel sorry for him? Gee, how sad.

On the album's closing rah-rah, anthemic-like, "The Great Leap Forward" Bragg blunders even further. He shouts out slogans such as, "Here comes the future and you can't run from it./ If you've got a blacklist I want to be on it." He later adds, "Join the struggle while you may./ The revolution is only a T-shirt away." This is all well and good, but he doesn't inform us what revolution he's talking about, making it all seem senseless.

It's not that Bragg isn't a formidable talent. He has proved in the past that he is capable of writing great songs. Unfortunately, *Workers Playtime* delivers an unappetizing mix of love and politics that doesn't go down well, making both subjects seem strained.

## Bird reaches new heights

by Mark Vane

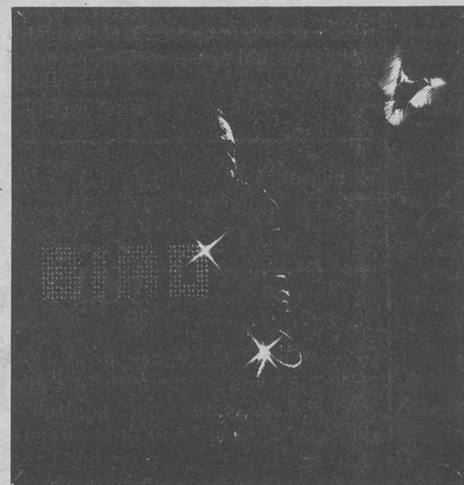
With the recent attention late saxophonist Charlie Parker has been receiving thanks the masterpiece film *Bird*, many have become exposed to one of the true greats in not only jazz, but all music. However, more interest is being paid to how he lived his life—in the fast lane, full of drugs, women, mental instability, excesses and an early death—than his true gift of music.

Thanks to the film's soundtrack, *Bird*, those who turned on to the him due to his lifestyle can now be introduced to his music. This is truly the only jazz album I've heard that is as exciting and stimulating to listen to as the most powerful rock and roll has to offer. This may sound out of context, but please, play *Bird* loudly.

One of *Bird*'s joys is its excellent sound quality. Parker's original sax lines, more than 35 years old, have been lifted out of their recordings. These old crackly sax parts have been cleaned up by using never before implemented technology and are supported by backing tracks recorded by jazz musicians of today. The final product removes the poor sound quality of Parker's original work and provides new listeners with the kind of sound quality they've come to expect in recent years.

The true treat, however, is the music. The sax lines on the opening track, "Lester Leaps In," truly blow away the listener. Parker's sax hits home in the same powerful way as songs such as Jerry Lee Lewis' "Great Balls of Fire," The Who's "Won't Get Fooled Again" and The Clash's best off *London Calling*. True to form, Parker plays at a lightning pace with each note jumping off his sax clearly and distinctly. "Lester" alone is enough to base Charlie Parker's reputation as an innovator and genius. I cannot forget the excellent driving backing of Monty Alexander on piano, bassist Ray Brown and John Guerin on drums that appears on "Lester" and many of the soundtrack's 11 cuts.

"Laura" slows things down to a serene level. Here, Parker is backed with strings and



his sax comes off so romantic that it makes one want to sit in a lobby of hotel that could be found in a 40s movie and sip cocktails with Grace Kelly.

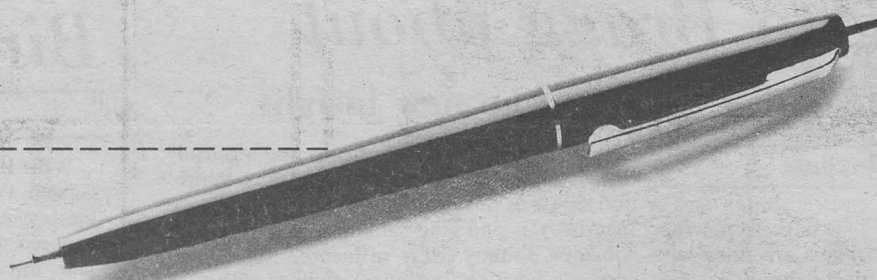
"Koko" has Parker tearing off at the beginning with trumpet player Jon Faddis; both belting out the opening measures note-for-note. They later split, allowing each to take turns with the lead of this bop classic. This one zooms along with Guerin's cymbals and Brown's bass providing the push to get the song where it's going in a hurry. This song ends the same as it begins, with trumpet and sax united; the fun part is the whirlwind that goes on between beginning and end.

Other highlights include "Orinology" and "Parker's Mood," an emotional blues tune. Here, one feels as if Parker is pouring out his troubled soul through his horn, an effective way to reach people's emotions.

Considering I'm not a jazz lover, *Bird* will be the only album of this type I buy this year. It will also be one of the best records I purchase this year. It is some of the most powerful, emotional yet delicate music ever created. The film *Bird* shows the true Charlie Parker, while the soundtrack portrays him in his best light—as a creator of exceptional music.



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# Ron's gone, what now?

by Saul Kelner  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The decrease in federal funding of state and local government programs was the main focus of the panel discussion "Life after Ronald Reagan: Solving State and Local Government Problems in the 1990s" held Wednesday by GW's Public Administration Management Student Association.

Participating in the discussion were GW Professor James Kee, City Manager Sanford W. Daily of Gaithersburg, Maryland and Arlington County Budget Director Mark Jinks.

Shrinking federal funds for these programs have forced localities to search for new sources of revenue and new ways to solve problems. "It has forced localities to be creative," Jinks said.

Jinks stressed cooperation with the private sector as one way of supplementing lost funds. "The private sector is no longer a hobgoblin that governments don't deal with," he said. Partnerships and trades between

the public and private sector have led to more efficient management of resources in many cases.

Both Daily and Jinks noted that local governments were beginning to deal with more social service issues in the 1980s, including day care, housing and drug rehabilitation. "Government is just like a human being, it responds to the environment," Daily said. Jinks said he saw an expanded role for local government in dealing with these issues in the 1990s.

An increase in federal regulations has hampered local efforts at problem-solving, Jinks said. "There is less money, more regulations."

The major constraint on state and local governments in the future will be the federal budget deficit, Kee said. "We all see a big hit on state and local governments in the president's last budget," he said. Each of the speakers said they expected that President-elect George Bush's policies regarding state and local governments will not be much different from Reagan's.

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next 10 years. "That money is available ... essentially for emergency-type purposes," Kessler said.

In extreme circumstances, there will be flexibility concerning the endowment, he said. The Senate

will have the option to call for a referendum if they feel the money is needed.

The money not in the endowment will go to student groups, Preble said. The Finance Committee conducts hearings in April for organizations wanting money and determines how much money each group deserves. The whole Senate helps to determine that amount of money and the president has the

final say concerning the allocation, he said.

When asked if it was fair that graduate students would also have to pay the fee, Kessler said the graduates would understand that they are a part of the student senate also. "They have a stake in this, too," he said.

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Vietnam ... it educated me. But I'm not sure which side is right."

Midshipman Philip Burdett, a GW sophomore, said the week's activities "opened a Pandora's box on the war." Asked about the United State's refusal to confirm that Americans may still be alive and in Vietnamese and

Laotian prisons, he said "the political ramifications of such an admission would be tremendous."

Shumaker has received the Silver Star and the Distinguished Service Medal in recognition of his bravery. Following his speech, he was presented with a plaque in appreciation of his participation in POW/MIA Week.

The week was sponsored by the GW NROTC unit's Battalion of Midshipmen, the Trident Society, an organization of outstanding students in the military, and the GW Program Board.

## Career Watch

# Internships: all you have to do is ask

Washington, D.C. offers a variety of opportunities to GW students interested in obtaining challenging, career-related internship experiences. Internships provide students with the opportunity to gain valuable work experience before graduating, develop marketable skills and evaluate personal likes and dislikes to make better career decisions.

Students who participate in internships will also have the chance to develop professional contacts, strengthen their resume (which will assist in obtaining full-time employment following graduation) and experience a professional environment first-hand.

The key to a positive internship experience is to effectively research organizations and internship opportunities and to start the internship search well in advance. Start your internship research with several basic steps:

- Determine your priorities. Why are you interested in certain organizations or fields? Does it relate to your career interests or your potential career interests?
- Develop a resume to emphasize your skills. A resume can effectively present your background and experience to distinguish you from others.
- Identify prospective organizations. Organizational directories, internship guides and the Internship Notebooks

available in the Career Services Center provide information about internship opportunities in a variety of fields.

● Start contacting employers early. It is appropriate to contact both the personnel department and the department managers of specific interest areas.

● Be prepared for interviews. Practice answering potential interview questions. Develop a list of questions about the specific responsibilities of the position.

● Follow-up all interviews. Always send thank-you letters to the interviewer expressing your appreciation. Your interest and enthusiasm will distinguish you from other internship seekers.

It is very important that students explore an internship opportunity carefully to establish the value of experience. Before accepting an offer it is important to clarify the following:

- What is the name of the individual to whom you will be responsible while involved in the experience?
- What are the working hours and how flexible will your schedule be with regard to your responsibilities?
- Will you be paid or receive academic credit? Keep in mind that many students choose volunteer experiences.
- What are the exact responsibilities of the position?
- What kinds of daily assignments can be expected from supervisors and

others?

● Are there any unusual requirements in connection with the work such as medical examinations, overtime or personal expenses?

● Where will you be working throughout the experience and will travel be necessary in the work?

By establishing what will be expected of the internship, students are better assured of a rewarding experience.

Several publications are available in the Career Resource Library of the Career Services Center to assist students in their internship search, including **A Congressional Intern Handbook**, **Directory of Washington Internships**, **National Directory of Internships**, **New York City Summer Intern Directory** and **Storming Washington: An Intern's Guide to National Government**. In addition, employers contact the Center directly to list internship opportunities for GW students. These internships are listed in the **Internship Notebooks** by specific fields.

For more information about internships and the other services available at the Career Services Center, please visit the Center in the Academic Center, Suite T-509, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday or call 994-6495.

-Anne Scammon

# Speech, Hearing ctr. holding test

Students who find themselves constantly having to ask "What did you say?" may find the hearing-screening day on Dec. 1, sponsored by GW's Speech and Hearing Center, to be quite helpful.

The free event, held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., will feature a standard hearing test, where students are asked to raise a hand when they hear sounds of successively lower and higher tones, as well as literature on specific speech and hearing problems.

The screenings will be conducted in

the clinic, which is located in Fungler Hall, room 407. On a regular basis, the clinic treats members of the GW community as well as those outside the University.

The majority of the clinic's clients come from outside of the University, mainly because most students and staff members do not have any significant speech or hearing problems, according to Dr. Willie Kopples, the center's director.

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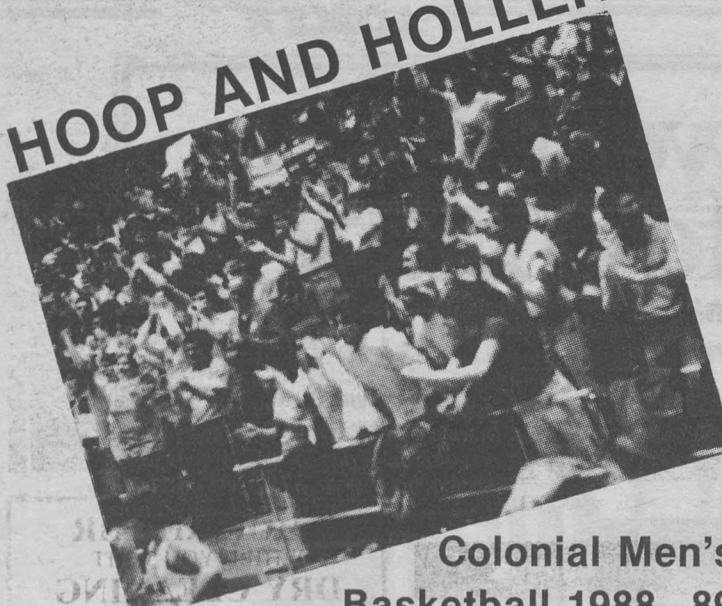
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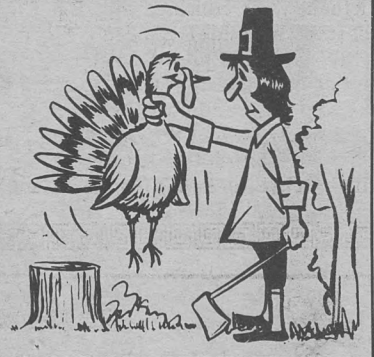
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# Sports



The GW volleyball team fell to Rhode Island, Saturday, in the A-10 volleyball tournament.

## GW volleyball 'Rammed' by URI

by David Weber  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW volleyball team lost to Rhode Island in the semi-finals of the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament, 15-6, 15-10 and 15-4, last Saturday. Earlier in the day at Penn State, GW beat Rutgers, 15-4, 16-14, 12-15, 16-18 and 15-12. The Colonial women finished their season 24-17 overall, 6-2, third place, in the A-10.

GW head coach Cindy Laughlin said she was not disappointed with the loss. "Rhode Island was clearly the better team," Laughlin said. "It's the best we could've done. We're the third best team, behind two great teams,

### Volleyball Scores

	1	2	3
George Washington University	6	10	4
University of Rhode Island	15	15	15

in the A-10. Our 24-17 record is nothing to be ashamed of."

Earlier this year, the Colonial women lost to URI at home. When asked to compare URI's play then and in the A-10 tournament Laughlin said the Rams were "much better."

Laughlin said URI, which starts four seniors, played smart. "They played great defense and they have a great

offense," she said. According to Laughlin, GW served tough and that caused URI to have trouble passing, but it did not matter. "Everything we tried to do, they stopped," Laughlin said. GW had a hitting percentage of .037 compared to URI's .356. "We couldn't kill the ball," GW assistant coach Kevin Kirk said. Allison O'Neill's eight kills were the only significant numbers on offense for GW.

The victory over Rutgers was GW's second win over the Knights this year. "We beat them pretty handily," Laughlin said. She said the Colonial women knew what they had to do to win. She said GW stopped doing those things in the third and fourth games and Rutgers made a match out of the contest.

The highlight of the weekend for GW was the play of sophomore Kris Knight, according to Laughlin. Knight "played outstanding" against Rutgers, with 15 kills and 21 digs. Knight was named to the all-tournament team. "She was a nice surprise," Laughlin said.

Against Rutgers, senior Ingrid Wicker had 15 kills. Sophomore Lisa McDonald and seniors Cheryl Farley and Cindy LaRock had five blocks each. GW hit .200, slightly better than its season average.

West Virginia beat UMass in the first round and lost to Penn State in the semi-finals. Penn State then beat URI in the finals to win their sixth-straight A-10 volleyball crown.

## Mannix, Tamai injured at wrestling tourney

Mannix hobbled by ankle injury in ESU finals

by Richard J. Zack  
Sports Editor

GW wrestler Joe Mannix lost in the finals, junior Karl Tamai went 1-1 and Spencer Rosenheck won one and lost two in the East Stroudsburg wrestling tournament, last Saturday. Tamai pulled a muscle in his neck in his first match which he said hindered his performance in his 9-5, second-round loss to Marc Zapf of William and Mary in the 126-pound category.

The tournament featured some of the top wrestlers in the country, including some top 20 teams. "I knew it was going to be a tough tournament," Tamai said. "Quality-wise it was probably the best tournament we've been to this year."

Tamai said the injury affected him in the loss, but that he could have beaten Zapf in the second match. "I was really hesitant," he said. "I should have really gone after him."

Tamai may have another opportunity to face Zapf when the Colonials face William and Mary and Liberty University, Tuesday night, in an away match.

Mannix lost, 9-1, in the 158-pound weight class, but sustained an ankle injury part way through the match, which affected the way he wrestled, according to GW head coach Jim Rota.

The score was 0-0 in the first round, but he sustained the injury in the second round. "He was not as effective as he could have been," Rota

said. "It affected psychologically. It prevented him from wrestling normally."

Mannix, 17-1 overall, beat the first seed, 4-2, in the semi-finals, won, 6-0, in the quarter-finals and forced two technical falls in his first two matches when he led by more than 15 points.

"I think I could have beat him," Mannix said of his final opponent. "Nine out of 10 times I would beat him, but I just lost my concentration and my bearing in the match."

Mannix said he will not be able to wrestle in the team's next match against William and Mary and Liberty University. Rota also said Tamai is questionable for the meet.

Rosenheck won by technical fall in the first round, but lost to a Penn State wrestler, 4-2, in the second round and lost by technical fall to a Syracuse grappler in his final contest.

All other GW wrestlers were eliminated in the first round.

Rota was forced to leave some of his team at home due to injuries. He took many of his younger wrestlers to the meet. He said the tournament was a way for him to gauge the team against "national-level competition."

"I think it's important to see where you are," Rota said. "You can see new techniques and execution. You're always trying to improve. Our conditioning was good ... some of the younger guys would agree that they were overmatched."

## Villanova, W. Va. too much for GW swimmers

by D. Hofheinz  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW men's and women's swim teams competed at Villanova, Thursday and West Virginia, Friday. The men's team lost to WVU, 142-94, and 144-83 to Villanova, but swam "impressively," according to head coach Carl Cox.

The format of the meet was changed so it would be swum as a championship meet in order to give the swimmers the experience, according to Cox.

Cox credits his freshmen with a good start. Freshman Daman Ladd-Thomas won the one-meter board diving meet in the WVU meet. "It looks as if he's going to be pretty hot. He shows a lot of talent, we're very pleased," Cox said. Ladd-Thomas also won the three-meter diving event.

GW won the 400-meter freestyle relay with a time of 3:17:12. The team was made up of Marco Herr, Jeff Hartshorn and Dave Kawaut.

In the Villanova meet Cox said Rick Mehedff and Marco Herr swam impressively. Marco Herr finished second in the 200-meter freestyle event with a time that Cox called "phenomenal."

Cox said he is very pleased with this year's team. "This year was supposed to be a transition year, but this team is playing great," Cox said. "The composition of this team is different from any other team, the leadership is great.

This team is really unique."

Cox said he sees great things for this squad. "This team within the next two years will really come to the forefront," Cox said.

The women lost both meets, as well, but GW head coach Pam Mauro was impressed by the team's performance in the Villanova meet. She said this was the best the team has swum against Villanova.

Mauro said Villanova was the first "real" meet for the team as last week's meet included three teams.

Freshmen Stacey Leo qualified for the Eastern Championships while breaking a pool record in the 100-meter fly at 15:9.84. Leo qualified for the 200-meter fly as well.

Jeanette Koefoed also qualified for the Easterns in the 100-meter breaststroke with a time of 1:10:3, according to assistant coach Claire Baikauskas.

Mauro said she is impressed with Leo because she has been consistently improving her times.

Mauro credits freshman Kristen Lewis with strength in the distance contests.

Baikauskas said the spread of less than 20 points reflects the strong play of the team. She also added that the meets included many personal bests for the team.

## Women's crew goes 1-1 in Philadelphia

by D. Hofheinz  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW women's crew won one race and lost one race at the Bill Braxton Regatta in Philadelphia, Sunday. The men's four boat lost its race and the men's junior varsity eight lost as well. The lightweight men's eight team qualified for the finals, finishing second behind Ithaca in the first race, but finished fourth behind Temple, Rhode Island and Ithaca in the finals.

The women's eight heavyweight boat finished with a 5:27:3 time beating Marrietta, Ithaca, Villanova and St Joseph's. The lightweight women came in fourth with a time of 5:50.1, beating only Lasalle.

The crew teams competed in the Frostbite Regatta, Saturday, also in Philadelphia. The men's junior varsity finished second, behind the University of Pennsylvania and the lightweight men finished second, behind Rutgers.

The men's four boat captured fourth place.

The women's lightweight boat came in third behind Rutgers and Villanova and the heavyweight boat finished second behind URI in the Frostbite

Regatta.

The men's four was fourth out of five in the Bill Braxton Regatta, beating Stockton State, but losing to Temple, Drexel and Ohio State.

The races finish the season for GW.

### Sports briefs

#### Lacrosse

The GW lacrosse club finished its indoor season this weekend with a split of two playoff games.

The A-team won by forfeit over the Red team, which did not field enough players for the game. With the 3-0 win, the A-team has a 4-4 record and third place in the six-team league.

The B-team lost, 10-2, to the Yellowjackets. The B-team has a 3-5 record and finished last in the

league. Mike Schlossman and Chris Mendola each scored a goal. Goalie Ben Tsai had 25 saves.

#### Water Polo

The GW water polo team finished its season fourth in the Mid-Atlantic Conference Division II tournament at Williams College, last weekend.

The Colonials lost to Williams and then fell to Amherst in the Bronze medal game.